



DEPARTMENT OF TRANSPORTATION

Federal Aviation Administration

[Summary Notice No. - 2022-2118]

Petition for Exemption; Summary of Petition Received; San Antonio Air Charter

AGENCY: Federal Aviation Administration (FAA), Department of Transportation (DOT).

ACTION: Notice.

SUMMARY: This notice contains a summary of a petition seeking relief from specified requirements of Federal Aviation Regulations. The purpose of this notice is to improve the public's awareness of, and participation in, FAA's exemption process. Neither publication of this notice nor the inclusion nor omission of information in the summary is intended to affect the legal status of the petition or its final disposition.

DATES: Comments on this petition must identify the petition docket number and must be received on or before **[INSERT DATE 20 DAYS AFTER DATE OF PUBLICATION IN THE FEDERAL REGISTER]**.

ADDRESSES: Send comments identified by docket number FAA-2021-0489 using any of the following methods:

- Federal eRulemaking Portal: Go to <http://www.regulations.gov> and follow the online instructions for sending your comments electronically.
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- Hand Delivery or Courier: Take comments to Docket Operations in Room W12-140 of the West Building Ground Floor at 1200 New Jersey Avenue, SE, Washington, DC 20590-0001, between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m., Monday through Friday, except Federal holidays.
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FOR FURTHER INFORMATION CONTACT: Nia Daniels, (202) 267-9626, Office of Rulemaking, Federal Aviation Administration, 800 Independence Avenue, SW, Washington, DC 20591.

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PETITION FOR EXEMPTION

Docket No.: FAA-2021-0489

Petitioner: San Antonio Air Charter

Sections of 14 CFR Affected: 61.113(a); 91.7(a); 91.319(a); 135.25(a); 135.93; 135.143(a) and (b); and 135.115.

Description of Relief Sought: San Antonio Air Charter (SAAC) petitions for an exemption from Title 14 Code of Federal Regulations §§ 61.113(a); 91.7(a); 91.319(a); 135.25(a); 135.93; 135.143(a) and (b); and 135.115 that would allow SAAC, a part 135 operator, to enable unmanned aircraft system (UAS) commercial flights of a developmental optionally piloted aircraft (OPA). That UAS, the Textron Grand Caravan 208B, has been modified to enable OPA operations – when the aircraft is flown as if it is unmanned from a ground control station, but is actually under the supervision of an on-board pilot in command, who is able to disconnect the auto-flight system and assume traditional control of the aircraft should an off-nominal situation arise.

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